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TO LET, FURNISHED,
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NO. 3, SEYMOUR TERRACE.
Apply to E. J. ACKROYD,

Supreme Court,
Hongkong, 15th February, 1892. [416]

FOR SALE,
TO LET, FURNISHED,
From 1st MAY NEXT.

M A C O M M E R,
PEAK ROAD.

Apply to G. S. COXON,

Hongkong, 15th February, 1892. [417]

FOR SALE.

A SECOND-HANDEEMINGTON TYPE
WRITER, in good working order.

Apply to KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED,

Hongkong, 15th February, 1892. [418]

VICTORIA COLLEGE.

TERM BEGINS FRIDAY, 19TH FEBRUARY.

CHINESE APPLICANTS for Admission
on Friday Morning, must attend

on FRIDAY Morning, at 8:30 A.M., and wait
in the Hall.

Non-Chinese Applicants for Admission, and
all Applicants for Re-Admission (i.e. all Boys
who were present last year but absent from Jan-
uary 1st, must attend THURSDAY, the 18th, at 8:30 A.M., and wait in the Hall.

GEO. H. DAWSON WRIGHT, D.D.,
Head Master.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1892. [419]

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

GAP ROCK LIGHT.

Latitude 21° 48' 50" N.

Longitude 113° 56' 18" E.

THIS LIGHT will be lit on the 1st APRIL
next.

1st Order Dioptric Revolving, exhibiting a
Bright White Light every 30 seconds, followed
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Elevation of Focus Plane 140 feet above high
water. Visible in clear weather 20 miles.

The Gap Rock is 400 feet long; the Light is
at the Southern end; Tower and buildings in
one block painted white.

Tower 6 feet above coping of building at
Eastern end.

WM. C. H. HASTINGS,
Compt. R.N.,
Acting Harbour Master, &c.

Harbour Department,
Hongkong, 12th February, 1892. [420]

WOODYEAR'S AUSTRALIAN CIRCUS
AND WILD WEST SHOW.

This Show never fails to keep faith with the
EVERYTHING ADVERTISED IS
TRULY CARRIED OUT.

TO-NIGHT TO-NIGHT.

A NOther GRAND CHANGE OF
PROGRAMME.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH.
TWO PERFORMANCES.

Afternoon, doors open 2.30 commence 3.30.
Evening 8 P.M. 9 P.M.

PRICES OF ADMISSION.—

Bucks of 6 Chairs \$0.00

Single Chair in Box 1.50

Dress Circle Chairs 1.00

Stalls (Carpeted Seats) 50

Fit (Chinese only) 20

PROF. VALAZIE will probably make his
BALLOON ASCENT on SUNDAY
NEXT, at the RACECOURSE.

MADAME WOODYEAR, Proprietors,
W. H. HALLAND, General Agent.

PROF. VALAZIE, Business Manager.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1892. [421]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions
from GEO. HOWSON, Esq.,

Acting Captain Superintendent of Police,
to hold a

PUBLIC AUCTION,

ON WEDNESDAY, the 17th FEBRUARY, 1892,
at NOON,

at the CENTRAL POLICE STATION,

A quantity of
UNSERVICEABLE, UNCLAIMED, AND
CONFISCATED STORES.

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TRIDGE CASES, MUSKETS and RE-

VOVERS.

CLOTHING, UMBRELLAS, BOXES,

UMBRELLAS, &c.

TISSUE.

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TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1892. [422]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of
SALE of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC
AUCTION, to be held on

MONDAY,

the 22nd day of FEBRUARY, 1892, at 4 P.M.,
are published.

By Command,

W. M. GOODMAN,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Hongkong, 6th February, 1892. [423]

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting
by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday,

the 22nd day of FEBRUARY, 1892, at 4 P.M.,
by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One
of Lot of Crown Land, in the Colony of Hongkong,
for a term of 999 Years.

NOTICE.

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NOW READY.

THE CHRONICLE AND DIRECTORY
FOR CHINA, JAPAN, STRAITS, &c., &c.

1892.

With which is incorporated
THE CHINA DIRECTORY.THIS is the
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and will be found, as usual, to show an advance on preceding years.

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1858; Great Britain, Canton, with Additional Article; Great Britain, Opium Convention, 1858; and others notarized France, 1858; Treaty of Commerce; France, 1858; Treaty of Commerce; France, 1858; Treaty of Commerce; France, 1858; Additional, 1858; United States, Policing, 1860; Germany, 1860; Portugal, 1860; Spain, 1860; Japan, 1860; Brazil, and Peru.

Treaties with JAPAN—Great Britain, 1853; United States Extraordinary Treaty, 1853;

Mexico, 1858; Treaties with COBDA

TREATIES WITH SIAM

CUSTOMS TARIFS

TRADE REGULATIONS—China, Japan, Siam,

Customs Duties, China,

Laws—DOCUMENTS in force in China, for

the Government of R. M. S. in China, and Japan, 1858, 1872, 1873, 1881, 1884,

1884; 1886, 1886; Rules of H.B.M. Supreme

and other Courts in China, Japan, &c.;

Table of Fees; Table of Consular

Fees; Code of Civil Procedure, Hongkong;

Table of Hongkong Court Fees; Admiralty Court Fees; Table of Consular and other

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United States in China; Rules of Court

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A VISIT TO KOREA.

MINISTER HEARD'S DIPLOMATIC EXPEDITION.
PING YANG, THE GREAT CAPITAL CITY.
The United States steamer *Alliance* arrived at Nagasaki, Japan, November 25th, after the completion of a diplomatic mission, the future, if not the immediate results, of which are likely to be of much interest to the people of our country. Augustus Heard, United States Minister to Korea, had been in consultation with a visit to the several treaty ports of that country for the purpose of selecting and securing concessions of territory for the foreigners, Europeans and Americans, doing business there. He had further intended visiting the old historical city of Ping Yang, but had given up the idea, with the view of saving time for his return to Korea. The unsettled condition of affairs in China and the few available American men-of-war delayed the expedition until late in October, when the *Alliance* was detained by Rear Admiral Belknap to Chonchoupo and report to Minister Heard.

It was to secure a concession of territory for all foreign interests that Mr. Heard made the recent trip to Korea, carefully examining the ground that when the concession is granted the site chosen by him would be the most favourable one. General (Korean) Wonsan and Fusae are on the east coast of the peninsula, both located on superb bays. G. T. F. has selected a large, rich valley and two higher, commanding heights, one to the capital and the interior. Fusae lies near the southern end of the peninsula, and opposite the island of Ta-sim-sa, has from the earliest days, been the point of communication between Korea and Japan. Chonchoupo, on the west side of the peninsula, is situated on a broad, flat plain, the river, which it controls, is the Soo, or Seoul River and is the seat of Seoul, the capital.

That the trade is increasing is shown by the rapid growth of the various ports, and the increased number of steamers. At present there are between Korean ports and Japan a weekly steamer from Osaka and one every ten days from Nagasaki. Trade with Korea is increasing, but which is increasing its vessels. Arrangements have already been made for two and perhaps three new lines to begin running in January, 1892. There are, in fact, simply branches of the two great commercial houses of the East. A large amount of tea, cotton, sercine and general merchandise is coming in, and the imports are made through the Japanese merchants. The products of Korea are largely pease, beans, millet, barley and garden truck.

The real interest of the expedition, however, centred in Ping Yang, the last port visited. On the west coast of Korea, and now its northern port.

The *Alliance* has a stream of considerable size called the Ta Tong river. On this stream, forty-five miles from its mouth, and nine miles from the sea is the city of Ping Yang. Charts of this locality are very faulty, as few vessels have visited it.

The place of interest to Americans is being the locality where the crew of the *General Sherman* was murdered, which incident gave an excuse for the attack on the Korean forts in 1871. But a more general interest attached to this part of Korea, especially to the city and province of Ping Yang, was for it was here that Mr. Heard, the first king of very ancient Korea, began his reign.

At the time to the present King has had its varying fortunes, and though it always the first city its position prevents it from ever being insignificant, for Ping Yang and the Ta Tong river are navigable for large ocean-going steamers to within fifteen miles of the city, while smaller craft can proceed up the river for some distance.

The only claim of the court of Ping Yang, in the Shandong in 1863, when he was investigating the murder of the crew of the *General Sherman*, and of Ta Tong river, ended with Mr. Hunt and Mr. Merrill of the Korean custom service.

More work may develop other channels leading to Ping Yang. But the location of Ping Yang is particularly strong from its land rather than its water communications with the surrounding country, as it lies on the great high road between the two capitals, Seoul and Peking, and has been the traditional stopping place of Chinese and Korean caravans journeying between those capitals. It has been to the obstacle in the path of invading Chinese armies. It was for reasons of defence, no doubt, that the site of the city was changed some four hundred years ago. Previous to that time the city occupied a level plateau about one mile below its present site. Remains of the old city yet remain, and the present level plateau is the site of the quasi royal palace, while in the street leading thereto is still standing a stone with this inscription: "Here all must dismount and walk." Some portion of the old wall and a portion of the old gate still exist.

The present city is indeed situated for defence. The topography of the city may be likened to a saucer, the rim of which is surrounded by a high wall with loopholes and embrasures for small arms and artillery. The fangs of the city toward the river is a steep rocky cliff, the remaining faces rest on a high ridge overlooking an inland level plain; while the body of the city rests on a hill, the slopes of which provide walls to their counterparts farther south.

The *Alliance* anchored off the mouth of the Ta Tong river, forty miles from the city, and Mr. Heard, accompanied by Lieutenant Commander Rich, Past Assistant Engineer Stephen C. Moore, and a crew of twelve men proceeded ashore in a small boat. The English in the chart caused delay, and it was not until after dark that the city was reached. The reception accorded Mr. Heard made it evident that the Governor had his instructions from Seoul and that most friendly relations were maintained with the visitors. The Korean soldier carries a double rifle. In daylight he carries a Remington rifle, in the ease of which he has been carefully instructed in English, while at night he becomes a torch-bearer, his weapon being a rusty spear, from the blade of which hangs a gaudy lantern. These lanterns the enormous crowd all dressed in white, the banners and flags make a scene peculiarly oriental.

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